

Scope of Products and Definitions
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Enacted Electronic Products Recycling Legislation and Active Regional Initiatives

Northeast Recycling Council (NERC) Model Legislation

- (b) **“Cathode ray tube”** or **“CRT”** means a vacuum tube or picture tube used to convert an electronic signal into a visual image.
- (c) **“Computer”** means an electronic, magnetic, optical, electrochemical, or other highspeed data processing device performing logical, arithmetic, or storage function, and may include both a computer central processing unit and a monitor, but such term does not include an automated typewriter or typesetter, a portable handheld calculator, a portable digital assistant, or other similar device.
- (e) **“Covered Electronic Device”** (CED) for the purposes of this Act means desktop/personal computers, computer monitors, portable computers, CRT-based televisions, and non-CRT-based televisions sold to consumers.

“Covered electronic device” does not include any of the following:

- i. A covered electronic device that is a part of a motor vehicle or any component part of a motor vehicle assembled by, or for, a vehicle manufacturer or franchised dealer, including replacement parts for use in a motor vehicle.
 - ii. A covered electronic device that is functionally or physically a part of a larger piece of equipment designed and intended for use in an industrial, commercial, or medical setting, including diagnostic, monitoring, or control equipment.
 - iii. A covered electronic device that is contained within a clothes washer, clothes dryer, refrigerator, refrigerator and freezer, microwave oven, conventional oven or range, dishwasher, room air conditioner, dehumidifier, or air purifier.
 - iv. Telephones of any type unless they contain a video display area greater than 4” measured diagonally.
- (i) **“Monitor”** means a separate video display component of a computer, whether sold separately or together with a computer central processing unit/computer box, and includes a cathode ray tube, liquid crystal display, gas plasma, digital light processing, or other image projection technology, greater than four inches when measured diagonally, and its case, interior wires and circuitry, cable to the central processing unit, and power cord.
 - (k) **“Portable computer”** means a computer and video display greater than four inches in size that can be carried as one unit by an individual (e.g., a laptop computer).
 - (s) **“Television”** means a stand-alone display system containing a CRT or any other type of display primarily intended to receive video programming via broadcast, having a viewable

area greater than four inches when measured diagonally, able to adhere to standard consumer video formats such as PAL, SECAM, NTSC, and HDTV and having the capability of selecting different broadcast channels and support sound capability.

- (t) **“Video Display”** means an output surface having a viewable area greater than four inches when measured diagonally that displays moving graphical images or a visual representation of image sequences or pictures, showing a number of quickly changing images on a screen in fast succession to create the illusion of motion, including, if applicable, a device that is an integral part of the display (and cannot be easily removed from the display by the consumer) that produces the moving image on the screen. Displays typically use a cathode ray tube (CRT), liquid crystal display (LCD), gas plasma, digital light processing, or other image projection technology.

Midwest Initiative

Scope of products includes TVs, monitors, laptops and desktop computers

Illinois Study Commission

“Cathode ray tube” (CRT) means a vacuum tube or picture tube used to convert an electronic signal into a visual image (e.g., computer monitor).

“Cellular Telephone” means a hand-held mobile radiotelephone, normally equipped with a viewing screen less than 4” when measured diagonally, for use in an area divided into small sections (cells), each with its own short-range transmitter/receiver.

“Computer” means an electronic, magnetic, optical, electrochemical, or other highspeed data processing device performing logical, arithmetic, or storage function, and may include both a computer central processing unit and a monitor, but such term does not include an automated typewriter or typesetter, a portable hand-held calculator, a portable digital assistant or other similar device.

“Covered electronic devices” (CED), for the purposes of this initiative includes, but are not limited to, desktop/personal computers, computer monitors, portable computers, desktop printers, other peripherals, CRT-based televisions, non-CRT-based televisions, VCRs and DVD players, fax machines, cellular telephones, MP3 players, and PDAs.

“Covered electronic device” does not include any of the following:

- i. A covered electronic device that is a part of a motor vehicle or any component part of a motor vehicle assembled by, or for, a vehicle manufacturer or franchised dealer, including replacement parts for use in a motor vehicle.
- ii. A covered electronic device that is functionally or physically a part of a larger piece of equipment designed and intended for use in an industrial, commercial, or medical setting, including diagnostic, monitoring, or control equipment.
- iii. A covered electronic device that is contained within a clothes washer, clothes dryer, refrigerator, refrigerator and freezer, microwave oven, conventional oven or range, dishwasher, room air conditioner, dehumidifier, water pump, sump pump or air purifier.

- iv. Small consumer electronic devices including wristwatches, timers and clocks; sonar and fish locators; radar detectors; thermometers; levels, tape measures, stud finders and other electronic building supplies; garage door openers; games; range finders; and other similar devices.

“Monitor” means a separate visual display component of a computer, either sold separately or together with a computer central processing unit/computer box. A monitor is made up of: a cathode ray tube; liquid crystal display; gas plasma; digital light processing, or other image projection technology greater than four inches when measured diagonally; a case; interior wires and circuitry; a cable to the central processing unit; and power cord.

“Portable computer” means a computer and video display greater than four inches in size when measured diagonally that can be carried as one unit by an individual (e.g., a laptop computer).

“Video Display Device” means an output surface having a viewable area greater than four inches when measured diagonally that displays moving graphical images or a visual representation of image sequences or pictures, showing a number of quickly changing images on a screen in fast succession to create the illusion of motion, including, if applicable, a device that is an integral part of the display (and cannot be easily removed from the display by the consumer) that produces the moving image on the screen. Displays typically use a CRT, liquid crystal display (LCD), gas plasma, digital light processing, or other image projection technology.

Washington State Electronic Product Recycling Law

“Covered electronic product” includes a cathode ray tube or flat panel computer monitor having a viewable area greater than four inches when measured diagonally, a desktop computer, a laptop or a portable computer, or a cathode ray tube or flat panel television having a viewable area greater than four inches when measured diagonally that has been used in the state by any covered entity regardless of original point of purchase.

“Covered electronic product” does not include:

- (a) A motor vehicle or replacement parts for use in motor vehicles or aircraft, or any computer, computer monitor, or television that is contained within, and is not separate from, the motor vehicle or aircraft;
- (b) monitoring and control instruments or systems;
- (c) medical devices;
- (d) products including materials intended for use as ingredients in those products as defined in the federal food, drug, and cosmetic act (21 U.S.C. Sec. 301 et seq.) or the virus-serum-toxin act of 1913 (21 U.S.C. Sec. 151 et seq.), and regulations issued under those acts;
- (e) equipment used in the delivery of patient care in a health care setting;
- (f) a computer, computer monitor, or television that is contained within a clothes washer, clothes dryer, refrigerator, refrigerator and freezer, microwave oven, conventional oven or range, dishwasher, room air conditioner, dehumidifier, or air purifier; or
- (g) hand-held portable voice or data devices used for commercial mobile services as defined in 47 U.S.C. Sec. 332 (d)(1).

“Electronic product” includes a cathode ray tube or flat panel computer monitor having a viewable area greater than four inches when measured diagonally; a desktop computer; a laptop

or a portable computer; or a cathode ray tube or flat screen television having a viewable area greater than four inches when measured diagonally.

Maryland Electronic Product Recycling Law

“Computer” means a desktop personal computer or laptop computer, including the computer monitor.

“Computer” does not include:

- (I) A personal digital assistant device
- (II) A computer peripheral device, including:
 1. A mouse or other similar pointing device
 2. A printer
 3. A detachable keyboard.

“Recyclable materials” means those materials that:

- (1) Would otherwise become solid waste for disposal in a refuse disposal system; and
- (2) May be collected, separated, or processed and returned to the marketplace in the form of raw materials or products.

“Solid waste stream” means garbage or refuse that would, unless recycled, be disposed of in a refuse disposal system located in this State.

“Solid waste stream” does not include:

- (i) Hospital waste;
- (ii) Rubble;
- (iii) Scrap material;
- (iv) Land clearing debris;
- (v) Sewage sludge; or
- (vi) Waste generated by a single individual or business and disposed of in a facility dedicated solely for that entity's waste.

“White goods” includes:

- (1) Refrigerators;
- (2) Stoves;
- (3) Washing machines;
- (4) Dryers;
- (5) Water heaters; and
- (6) Air conditioners.

Maine Law

A. **“Computer monitor”** means a cathode ray tube or flat panel display primarily intended to display information from a central processing unit or the Internet.

C. **“Covered electronic device”** means a computer central processing unit, a cathode ray tube, a cathode ray tube device, a flat panel display or similar video display device with a screen that is greater than 4 inches measured diagonally and that contains one or more circuit

boards. “Covered electronic device” does not include an automobile or a large piece of commercial or industrial equipment, such as commercial medical equipment, that contains a cathode ray tube, a cathode ray tube device, a flat panel display or similar video display device that is contained within, and is not separate from, the larger piece of equipment.

- K. **“Television”** means a cathode ray tube or flat panel display primarily intended to receive video programming via broadcast, cable or satellite transmission.

California ARF Law

- (f) (1) **“Covered electronic device”** means a cathode ray tube, cathode ray tube device, flat panel screen, or any other similar video display device with a screen size that is greater than four inches in size measured diagonally and which the department determines, when discarded or disposed, would be a hazardous waste pursuant to Chapter 6.5 (commencing with Section 25100) of Division 20 of the Health and Safety Code.
- (2) **“Covered electronic device”** does not include an automobile or a large piece of commercial or industrial equipment, including, but not limited to, commercial medical equipment, that contains a cathode ray tube, cathode ray tube device, flat panel screen, or other similar video display device that is contained within, and is not separate from, the larger piece of industrial or commercial equipment.
- (g) **“Covered electronic waste”** or **“covered e-waste”** means a covered electronic device that is discarded or disposed.